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**WORLD PRESS PHOTO EXHIBITION RETURNS TO BRISBANE**

*THE MOST COMPELLING, CONTROVERSIAL AND INTIMATE MOMENTS FROM ACROSS THE GLOBE*

The annual *World Press Photo Exhibition* returns to Brisbane Powerhouse in June to showcase the world's top press photographers within the past 12 months.

Presenting works from the most prestigious international award in photojournalism and digital storytelling, the exhibition, which tours through 45 countries, features the winning images across competition categories.

With over 25,000 people visiting the exhibition at Brisbane Powerhouse in 2017 for its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary, Artistic Director **Kris Stewart** is eager to reveal this year's collection to the Brisbane audience, which marks 11 years of exhibiting this prestigious prize at Brisbane Powerhouse.

"This year's exhibition captures moments in time with brutal honesty. These images raise questions, engage people and show a point of view," said Stewart.

"We hope that this exhibition starts conversation and keeps people talking long after they leave Brisbane Powerhouse," he said.

Selected from 73,044 images taken by 4,548 photographers from 125 countries, the 2018 World Press Photo of the Year was awarded to **Ronaldo Schmidt** of Venezuela for his image titled *Venezuela Crisis*.

Schmidt's powerful photo captures José Víctor Salazar Balza (28) as he catches fire amid violent clashes with riot police during a protest against President Nicolás Maduro, in Caracas, Venezuela.

Director of Photography Geo France and Chair of the jury **Magdalena Herrera** said "It's a classical photo, but it has an instant energy and dynamic. The colours, the movement, and it's very well composed, it has strength. I got an instantaneous emotion..."

Director of Photography at National Geographic **Whitney C. Johnson** said, "he's come to sort of represent not just himself and himself on fire, but this idea of Venezuela burning."

The 2018 World Press Photo exhibition features winners and runners up across seven categories; contemporary issues, environment, general news, long-term projects, nature, people, sports and spot news.

Developed by The World Press Photo Foundation, the exhibition is viewed by over four million people worldwide and strives to inspire, educate and support visual journalists, storytellers and their global audience with fresh insight and new perspective.

World Press Photo receives support from the Dutch Postcode Lottery and is sponsored worldwide by Canon. Brisbane Powerhouse gratefully acknowledges the support from Brisbane Airport Corporation to help host this exhibition.

**ENDS**

<b>DATES</b>	<b>Saturday 30 June – Sunday 22 July 2018</b>
<b>VENUE</b>	Powerhouse Theatre, Brisbane Powerhouse
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### 2018 WORLD PRESS PHOTO WINNERS

The 2018 Photo Contest drew entries from around the world: 5,034 photographers from 125 countries submitted 80,408 images. The jury gave prizes in eight categories to 45 photographers from 25 countries: Australia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, Czech Republic, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, India, Iran, Italy, Pakistan, Philippines, Romania, Russia, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Syria, New Zealand, Turkey, UK, and USA.

\*\*World Press Photo of the Year Nominee

#### CONTEMPORARY ISSUES (SINGLES)

1. **Jesco Denzel** (Germany) *Lagos Waterfronts under Threat*
2. **Giulio Di Sturco** (Italy) *More Than A Woman*
3. **Roger Turesson** (Sweden) *North Korea*

#### CONTEMPORARY ISSUES (STORIES)

1. **Heba Khamis** (Egypt) *Banned Beauty*
2. **George Steinmetz** (United States) *Feeding China*
3. **Espen Rasmussen** (Norway) *White Rage*

#### ENVIRONMENT (SINGLES)

1. **Neil Aldridge** (South Africa) *Waiting For Freedom*
2. **Thomas P. Peschak** (Germany/South Africa) *Attack of the Zombie Mouse*
3. **Thomas P. Peschak** (Germany/South Africa) *Back In Time*

#### ENVIRONMENT (STORIES)

1. **Kadir van Lohuizen** (Netherlands) *Wasteland*
2. **Luca Locatelli** (Italy) *Hunger Solutions*
3. **Daniel Beltrá** (Spain/United States) *Amazon: Paradise Threatened*

#### GENERAL NEWS (SINGLES)

1. **Patrick Brown** (Australia) *Rohingya Crisis\*\**
2. **Richard Tsong-Taatarii** (United States) *Not My Verdict*
3. **Md Masfiqur Akhtar Sohan** (Bangladesh) *Watch Houses Burn*

#### GENERAL NEWS (STORY)

1. **Ivor Prickett** (Ireland) *The Battle for Mosul\*\**
2. **Kevin Frayer** (Canada) *Rohingya Refugees Flee Into Bangladesh*
3. **Francesco Pistilli** (Italy) *Lives In Limbo*

#### LONG-TERM PROJECTS

1. **Carla Kogelman** (Netherlands) *Ich Bin Waldviertel*
2. **Fausto Podavini** (Italy) *Omo Change*
3. **Javier Arcenillas** (Spain) *Latidoamerica*

#### NATURE (SINGLES)

1. **Corey Arnold** (United States) *Dumpster Diver*
2. **Thomas P. Peschak** (Germany/South Africa) *Jump*
3. **Michael Patrick O'Neill** (United States) *Flying Fish in Motion*

#### NATURE (STORY)

1. **Ami Vitale** (United States) *Warriors Who Once Feared Elephants*
2. **Jasper Doest** (Netherlands) *Sacred No More*
3. **Thomas P. Peschak** (Germany/South Africa) *Galapagos: Rocking the Cradle*

#### PEOPLE (SINGLES)

1. **Magnus Wennman** (Sweden) *Resignation Syndrome*
2. **Alessio Mamo** (Italy) *Manal, War Portraits*
3. **Li Huaifeng** (China) *Earth Kiln*

#### PEOPLE (STORY)

1. **Adam Ferguson** (United States) *Boko Haram Strapped Suicide Bomb\*\**
2. **Anna Boyiazis** (United States) *Finding Freedom in the Water*
3. **Tatiana Vinogradova** (Russia) *Girls*

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### SPORTS (SINGLES)

1. **Oliver Scarff** (United Kingdom) *Royal Shrovetide Football*
2. **Stephen McCarthy** (Ireland) *Steaming Scrum*
3. **Erik Sampers** (France) *Marathon des Sables*

### SPORTS (STORY)

1. **Alain Shroeder** (Belgium) *Kid Jockeys*
2. **Juan D Arredondo** (Colombia) *Peace Football Cup*
3. **Nikolai Linares** (Denmark) *The Boys and the Bulls*

### SPOT NEWS (SINGLES)

1. **Ronaldo Schemidt** (Venezuela) *Venezuela Crisis*
2. **Ryan Kelly** (United States) *Car Attack*
3. **Goran Tomasevic** (Serbia) *Mideast Crisis Iraq Mosul*

### SPOT NEWS (STORY)

1. **David Becker** (United States) *Massacre in Las Vegas*
2. **Toby Melville** (United Kingdom) *Witnessing the Immediate Aftermath\*\**
3. **Juan Barreto** (Venezuela) *Demonstrator Catches Fire*

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